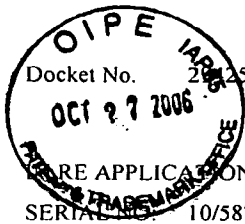


IFW  
**MAIL STOP PCT**



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

RE APPLICATION OF: Shuuichi ISHIZUKA, et al.

SERIAL NO. 10/587,394

GAU:

FILED: July 27, 2006

EXAMINER:

METHOD FOR CLEANING PROCESS CHAMBER OF SUBSTRATE PROCESSING APPARATUS,  
SUBSTRATE PROCESSING APPARATUS, AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING SUBSTRATE



**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

**REFERENCES**

- ☒ The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- ☐ A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

**RELATED CASES**

- ☐ Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s), published application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. In accordance with the waiver of 37 CFR 1.98 dated September 21, 2004, copies of the cited pending applications are not provided. Cited published and/or issued patents, if any, are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.
- ☐ A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

**CERTIFICATION**

- ☐ Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- ☐ No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

**DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

- ☒ Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check or credit card payment is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,  
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

Steven P. Weihrouch

Registration No. 32,829  
**Corwin P. Umbach, Ph.D.**  
**Registration No. 40,211**

Surinder Sachar  
Registration No. 34,423

Customer Number

**22850**

Tel. (703) 413-3000  
Fax. (703) 413-2220  
(OSMMN 05/03)

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /J.M./

Form PTO 1449 (Modified)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTY DOCKET NO. 294256US26PCT		SERIAL NO. 10/587,394	
LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT				APPLICANT Shuuichi ISHIZUKA, et al.			
FILING DATE July 27, 2006				GROUP			

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
	AA						
	AB						
	AC						
	AD						
	AE						
	AF						
	AG						
	AH						
	AI						
	AJ						
	AK						
	AL						
	AM						

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION		
				YES	NO	
	AN 10 154706	06/09/1998	JP (with English abstract and computer generated translation, equivalent of US 6 114 216)		NO	
	AO 2003 183839	07/03/2003	JP (with English abstract and computer generated translation)		NO	
	AP 10 233387	09/02/1998	JP (with English abstract and computer generated translation, equivalent of US 6 090 718)		NO	
	AQ 2004 335789	11/25/2004	JP (with English abstract and computer generated translation)		NO	
	AR 2005 085956	03/31/2005	JP (with English abstract and computer generated translation)		NO	
	AS 2002 353206	12/06/2002	JP (with English abstract and computer generated translation)		NO	
	AT 09 232299	09/05/1997	JP (with English abstract and computer generated translation)		NO	
	AU 11 003878	01/06/1999	JP (with English abstract and computer generated translation)		NO	
	AV 2000 294550	10/20/2000	JP (with English abstract and computer generated translation)		NO	

OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)		
	AW	
	AX	
	AY	
	AZ	

Examiner <span style="float: right;">/Joseph Miller, Jr/</span>	Date Considered <span style="float: right;">01/21/2009</span>
---	---

\*Examiner: Initial if reference is considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /J.M./

U.S. PCT Application Serial No: 10/587,394

Filed: July 27, 2006

Shuuichi ISHIZUKA, et al.

Docket No. 294256 US

#### STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

- 1) References AN-AR have been cited in the International Search Report. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 2) References            have been cited in the corresponding            Search Report. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 3) References AS-AU are discussed in the specification. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 4) Reference AV is additional prior art known to Applicant. A copy of that reference is being submitted herewith.

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /J.M./